



California Department of  
Transportation

# PUBLIC NOTICE



State of California

## Announcement of Public Hearing and Notice of Availability

Big Bear Lake Bridge Replacement Project

Near the city of Big Bear Lake



<b>WHEN AND WHERE</b>	<p>Date: March 30, 2006 Time: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Place: Big Bear Municipal Water District, Conference Room 40524 Lakeview Drive Big Bear Lake, CA 92315 Caltrans Public Affairs (909) 383-4631</p>
<b>WHAT IS BEING PLANNED</b>	<p>The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to build a new bridge and remove the existing bridge, located on top of Big Bear Dam, one mile west of the city of Big Bear Lake on State Route 18 in San Bernardino County.</p> <p>The project proposes to provide the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Construct structurally sound and operationally efficient access at a new location across either Bear Creek Canyon or Big Bear Lake.</li><li>• Realign the approach roadways and signalize the intersection to improve traffic channelization at State Route 18 and State Route 38.</li><li>• Remove the existing bridge from the top of the dam to facilitate the planned Big Bear Municipal Water District spillway and outlet works improvements.</li></ul>
<b>WHY THIS AD</b>	<p>To notify you that a Public Hearing will be held on the proposed project. This hearing will give you an opportunity to provide comments and discuss the features of the project with Caltrans staff. Caltrans has prepared a DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (DEIS/R) and technical studies that are available for review at the Caltrans District 8 office at 464 West 4th Street, San Bernardino, CA 92401. To view the document at the Caltrans District office, please call Mr. Boniface Udotor at (909) 388-1387 for an appointment between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please check in at the front desk in the lobby upon arrival. To view an electronic version of the DEIS/R and technical studies, go to <a href="http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/environmental.htm">www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/environmental.htm</a> or to request an electronic copy, e-mail <a href="mailto:jason.walsh@dot.ca.gov">jason.walsh@dot.ca.gov</a>. You may also review the DEIS/R at the Big Bear Lake Branch Public Library at 41930 Garstin Drive, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315, the San Bernardino National Forest Supervisor's Office at 1824 So. Commerce Center Circle, San Bernardino, CA 92408, and Big Bear Discovery Center at 40971 North Shore Drive, State Route 38, Fawnskin, CA 92333.</p>
<b>WHAT IS AVAILABLE AT THE MEETING</b>	<p>Preliminary layouts, maps, and other exhibits will be available for viewing. Caltrans architecture, engineering, environmental studies and U.S. Forest Service staff will be available to discuss the project and answer your questions. No formal presentation will be made. You are invited to attend any time between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.</p>
<b>WHERE YOU COME IN</b>	<p>If you have comments about the project, please submit them at the Public Hearing or mail to Caltrans. Comments must be received no later than 4/10/06. Please address comments to Mr. Boniface Udotor, 464 W. Fourth Street, MS 823, San Bernardino 92401-1400. A court reporter will also be available at the public hearing to take your oral comments directly.</p>
<b>CONTACT</b>	<p>For information about this study or any other transportation matters, call the Caltrans Public Affairs Office at (909) 383-4631.</p>
<b>SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS</b>	<p>Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Caltrans will provide reasonable accommodations such as an American Sign Interpreter, accessible seating, and documentation in alternate formats to individuals with disabilities. To obtain such services, please contact Ms. Terri Kasinga at (909) 383-4631 at least 10 days before the meeting date. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service TDD line at 1-800-735-2929 or District 8 TTY (909) 383-6300.</p>